



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

RAY et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Examiner: Holder, Regina Neal

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION **OF APRIL 9, 2003**

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This is a reply to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003 (Paper No. 9). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for a three-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for the three-month extension fee of \$950.00.

Please note that the Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Please also note that the Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.